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In re Takashi SAITOH

Group Art Unit: 1751

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Examiner: Tri V. Nguyen

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Sir:

Pursuant to conversation with the Supervisory Examiner, please find enclosed herewith an English language Abstract corresponding to JP-05-504,153A together with a printout from the EPO website listing all family members thereof. From the attached family member list it will be seen at hand-numbered pages 4 and 5 and 6 that there are a number of U.S. patents in the family members. It is understood that U.S. patents are in the English language and are available to the U.S. Examiner.

An English language Abstract of JP-05-503,953A is attached together with a printout from the EPO website comprising a list of the family members. On the attached list of family members at hand-numbered pages 10 and 11 and 12 it will be seen that there are a number of U.S. patents listed. It is understood that U.S. patents are available to the U.S. Examiner.

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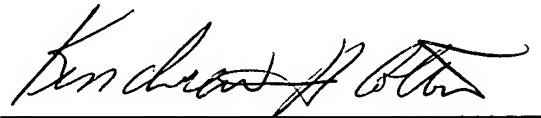
requested that the Examiner acknowledge consideration of JP-05-504,153A and its U.S. counterparts as well as JP-05-503,953A and its U.S. counterparts. To facilitate this confirmation, please find enclosed herewith a PTO form.

Previously cited JP-05-503,953A includes or is related to such English language family members as set forth in the attachment hereto.

The Examiner's courtesy and diligence in the consideration of this application is acknowledged with appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

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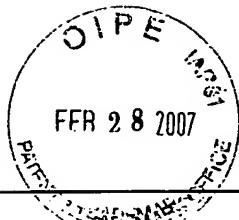


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